

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
CHARLESTON DIVISION

Larry Durrance,

Plaintiff,

v.

Lavern Cohen, Warden; Dr. Moore,  
Medical Director; Dr. Hammock,  
Resident M.D., Nurse Davis, RN Head  
Nurse; Nurse Canaday, LPN; and  
Nurse Simmons, LPN,

Defendants.

C.A. No.2:11-cv-00368-JMC

**ORDER**

This matter is before the court on the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation [Doc. 59]. Plaintiff filed the Complaint alleging a claim under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, filed on December 1, 2011, recommends that Defendant's Motion to Dismiss [Doc. 18] be treated as a Motion for Summary Judgment and be granted and that all of other pending motions be dismissed as moot. The Report and Recommendation sets forth in detail the relevant facts and legal standards on this matter, and the court incorporates the Magistrate Judge's recommendation herein without a recitation.

The Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation is made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with this court. *See Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). The court is charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which specific objections are made, and the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the Magistrate Judge's recommendation or

recommit the matter with instructions. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

Plaintiff was advised of his right to file objections to the Report and Recommendation [Doc. 59 at 14]. However, Plaintiff filed no objections to the Report and Recommendation.

In the absence of objections to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, this court is not required to provide an explanation for adopting the recommendation. *See Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Rather, "in the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must 'only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.'" *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note). Furthermore, failure to file specific written objections to the Report and Recommendation results in a party's waiver of the right to appeal from the judgment of the District Court based upon such recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841 (4th Cir. 1985); *United States v. Schronce*, 727 F.2d 91 (4th Cir. 1984).

After a thorough review of the Report and Recommendation and the record in this case, the court adopts the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation [Doc. 59]. It is therefore **ORDERED** that Defendant's Motion to Dismiss [Doc. 18] be treated as a Motion for Summary Judgment and be **GRANTED** and that all of other pending motions be **DISMISSED** as moot.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**



United States District Judge

Greenville, South Carolina  
December 22, 2011